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THURSDAY, - DECEMBER 27, 1855.  
[From the Evening Edition.]  
THE FIRE ALARM.—There was a false alarm

On Christmas night. There was no fire excitement among the thousands of people who were enjoying the Christmas comforts around them.

13 We mentioned in our issue of Tuesday morning the non-arrival of the Frankfurt train at midnight. The delay was occasioned by change of the switch at La Grange, which threw the train off the track. No one was hurt, fortunately, though the cars barely escaped rolling over an embankment at the spot where the accident occurred.

14 The number of arrests in New Orleans during the month of November, was 1,665—average of fifty-two per day; and yet the paper says that number is less than the usual average.

15 Lord Bacon, in an essay on study, said:

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"*Justice on to Alabama!*" We planned in the name of the people of the United States and the Marietta Patriot, (as the subject of the annexation of West Florida to Alabama, in which it was stated that the annexation would probably be brought before our Legislature next session) to publish a series of editorials, the remarks made by our contemporaries, and hope our members from the west will urge us upon the attention of the Legislature, and that they will endeavor to carry out the wishes of us who think that the annexation of West Florida to Alabama should be looked upon by our Alabama friends as *an isolated practice*, having no common unity of interest with them; and it is only when our influence is required in some important election, that the Alabama is anxious to adopt us, and should become identified with her interests, will not treat us as *illegitimate citizens*, but will to every extent of the law, treat us as *legitimate citizens*. Then, to seek Florida, give us our walking pants and let us "seek a home of affection elsewhere."

late March, to supply the pulpit of the English and American chapel at St. Petersburg, is now. He was a young clergyman of the Congregational persuasion, and of great promise. A correspondent writes from St. Petersburg, says his funeral was attended by a large number of sorrowing friends, who followed the mournful procession his remains to their final resting place. The American Minister, Mr. Seymour, was present, and in all due contrivance, was consoled by Mr. Haskell in sickness and health, and his carriage was the first in the line that followed to the cemetery.

Boston Times, 2nd.

A TEXAS ITEM.—The Governor, inquirer, of St. Louis, says:

"The grasshoppers are now in our midst in numberless numbers. They have commenced their work of destruction on the gardens and vegetable generally, and seem to be in a fair way of making a clean sweep at the crops. We are endeavoring to inform us that their wheat and rice patches are being cut down by them. No doubt they will

**WAGGONROBBERY.**—A gross outrage, perpetrated under the color of law, ends last night's entry in the Court of Sessions. A young man named Holland was arrested on the 9th of November a chance of illegal robbery, and was committed to the County Jail. The indictment, yesterday, ante shadow of a case against him could be found, and he was discharged. What redress has he for seven weeks of false imprisonment?—*N. Y. Tribune, 21st.*

**TWO MEN OVER NARAGANSSETT FALLS.**—We are informed by a gentleman from Chipmunk, Canada, that two persons belonging to that village were over the Falls on Friday last. They were out on the river in a small boat, and, in passing, a large quantity of fish was taken, and the men were consequently carried over the crest at last.

*Digby, Courier, 11th.*

**SINGULAR DISCOVERY.**—Found on Chowocuss Creek, in Meigs county, Alabama, in the quarter of Elwin Reese, Esq., where he has been situated

partle to burn him, some beautiful and eerie specimens of marble, having trees and shrubs with their branches and leaves playing and waving upon the layers, into which it is divided.

West Point Beacon

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## From the Polar Regions.

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### Return of the Last Party of Explorers.

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#### THE DEATH OF FRANKLIN AND HIS PARTY ESTABLISHED.

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#### MORE RELICS FOUND.

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#### DOCTOR HAY'S REPORT CONFIRMED.

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We have received the St. Paul Pioneer Democrat of the 13th inst., containing recent and highly interesting intelligence from the Greenland regions, communicated by Mr. James Green Steele, a chief trader of the Hudson's Bay Company who arrived on the 11th inst., at St. Paul, by the

overland route, from the Arctic region. It was to be remembered that Dr. Rae, sent out by the British government to search for Sir John Franklin, returned in the summer of 1854, having discovered traces of Franklin's perished party, spoons and other articles, whose marks left doubt of their having been left on the spot when they were found, by the last mariners. On the return of Dr. Rae, the British government determined to follow up the clue thus discovered with view to the complete solution of the mystery which involved Franklin's unhappy fate—to ascertain, if possible, how and when he died, and rescue the survivors of any of the party, if reported by the Esquimaux to have been seen on the outlet of Back's or Great Fish river, in about latitude 65 deg. north. The Hudson's Bay Company, at the direction of the government, sent out a party of tried men, accustomed to the hardships and rigors of the Polar region, and placed

The following is the narrative of their operations as related by Mr. Stewart. The location they visited and the route they traveled, may be seen by the inspection of a saoriary map:

Mr. Stewart, with a party of fourteen men, therefore, started from his post, the Carleton House, in 54 deg. North latitude, on the 7th of February, 1859, and proceeded to Fort Chipewyan, at the mouth of the Athabasca, where they arrived at which point they arrived on the 5th day of March. It had been determined to make the way to the Arctic Sea by water, so far as was practicable, and the party, therefore, remained at the place until the 20th May, busily engaged in constructing boats, and making other preparations for a dreary journey. At that date the party left Chipewyan, and journeyed by canoe on the Peace river, which connects Lake Athabasca with the Mackenzie, a distance of 100 miles to the westerly direction, till on the 30th day of May they arrived at Fort Resolution, which is situ-

Hope in the future, and hearts beat and throbs  
Men who can and dare  
More than their brothers,  
Should quell the wrongs that bar  
Blessings from others—  
What saith the voice?  
Gentry, Switzerland, November, 1935.

2. That neither the Missouri Compromise, nor any other anti-slavery restriction, shall hereafter be extended over any territory of the United States.

3. The prompt and faithful execution of the fugitive slave law, and its permanent continuance upon the statute book.

If these propositions shall not, in substance, be incorporated in the platform adopted by the convention, the delegates from Florida will be instructed to withdraw.











